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## CALFED BAY-DELTA PROGRAM

Attn: EIR/EIS Comments

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Yuima Municipal Water District has received and discussed the programmatic draft EIR/EIS recently released by CALFED and the three potential alternative solutions to solving the environmental, agricultural and urban concerns related to ecosystems, water supply and quality as well as the integrity of the levee system.

The board has expressed its opinion that Alternative 3, which would enlarge the Delta channels to move water across the Delta, provide screens and barriers to protect fish, add storage upstream and downstream of the Delta and provide a new channel around the east side of the Delta, appears to be the best alternative.

We appreciate the undertaking of the state-federal partnership and the many interests that are being addressed in the process as well as the lengthy analysis and hard work the CALFED staff has spent in arriving at these alternatives, keeping the stakeholders at the table and moving the effort along.

Yuima has long heard that the Bay-Delta was broken and needed to be "fixed" and we understand that once the alternative is selected we still need to come up with a priorities plan, a financing plan and implementation plan. We know we have a ways to go yet and, while our preferred alternative is said to be more politically difficult to reach consensus on, we feel confident that the needed assurances will be forthcoming to bring about the much needed "fix" for all of California.

Sincerely,

YUIMA MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT

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